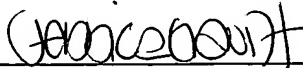




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Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated January 21, 2005, please extend the period of time for response two months to expire on June 21, 2005. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the required fee (deposit account charge). Please amend the application as shown on the attached pages.